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## ADDRESS BY FU TSO-I

Today in Pei-p'ing at the cemebration of the 83d anniversary of the birth of the Father of the Mation, Den Fu Tso-i gave the following address:

"Today is the celebration of the 83d anniversary of the birth of our leader. In remembering him, we are full of shame sinded, for in several decades of revolution we are still unable to fulfill his principles. The people's livelihood languishes, and the fate of the nation hangs in the belance. As we think of these things, the hearts of all people in North China was greatly stirred. We are all conscious of a serious threat. The military situation in the Mortheast has changed, allowing the enemy to penetrate into Morth China. As we study the military setback in the Mortheast, we can say only that it was because of our own collapse, and we cannot say that it was due to the striking power of the Communist bandits.

"Since the Commist rebellion started our defeats have all been caused by our own corruption and weakness. The Communist bandits have merely: attached what was corrupt and powerless. I feel that greek and rottenuess should be defeated; they will be defeated whether attacked or not. But the Communist bankits' most powerful terror and ornelty can never over come our ideals of temocracy, freedom, and peace. In the midst of pain and bloodshed, the people of North China mov see into problems more deeply and understand them more thoroughly. They know that the present war of suppression in China is not simply an ordinary civil war, nor a struggle for power; still less should it be to protect the rich or the privileged. It is a war to the death between damerray, freedom, and prese on the one hand, and totalitarian terror and orugity on the other.

"If the Communist bandits gain control of China, the Chinese people will never have democracy and liberty again. The Chinese people will be skut behind the iron curtain. They will be submerged under totalitarian oppression and

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endless warfare. The longer the Communist bandits are in control of any region, the deeper are the sufferings of the inhabitants, the more bitter their hatred of the bandits, and the more thorough their understanding of the real character of the Communists. This awareness will leed to strong action. The more serious the situation, the more the people, of North China will have concentrated purpose; and the more difficult our duty, the more poweful will be our strength."

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